

dedicated public servant. TONY has become the area's longest-serving Congressman and a three-time Nobel nominee known worldwide of his work against hunger.

In Congress, HALL has been guided by faith and family and never chosen Capitol Hill events over the importance of being home with his wife and children. He has spent 21 years on the House Rules Committee, and I have been pleased to work with TONY on numerous local projects for the Miami Valley: from supporting the National Composites Center, to saving the Air Force Institute of Technology.

Ten years ago, TONY and I worked to establish the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park and we just recently embarked upon a new effort to create the National Aviation Heritage area to preserve Ohio's aviation heritage for the future.

When I first came to Congress, TONY was one of the first Members of Congress to reach out to me, and show me the ropes. He didn't have to do that, and I have always appreciated his willingness to make me feel comfortable in this new environment.

Nobody goes around Capitol Hill grumbling about TONY HALL. He is the genuine article, he works hard for the constituents and he is a man of principle, and of his word.

TONY has managed to be a positive force, despite the difficult challenges he has faced in his personal life. We are all better people because TONY HALL has been here.

As Ohio's Seventh District Representative to the Congress of the United States, I take this opportunity to join with members of the Ohio delegation to honor the efforts and the many outstanding achievements of Rep. TONY HALL. His many contributions as a member of the House of Representatives and leadership will be remembered.

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RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE  
TONY HALL

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**HON. RALPH REGULA**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 25, 2002*

Mr. REGULA. Mr. Speaker, I would like to join my colleagues in bidding farewell to TONY HALL. As Dean of the Ohio Democrats, TONY has provided leadership within the delegation. I have enjoyed serving as co-dean with TONY in working on issues that affect our state. From aerospace to defense to technology to education issues, TONY has been at the fore-

front of developing sound public policy for the benefit of all Ohioans.

TONY has never shied away from the tough issues. His dedication to hunger issues and human rights was born long ago and derives from his spiritual commitment. His life embodies the second great commandment to "Love your neighbor."

That steadfastness has motivated others to get involved and to make a difference. His advocacy of these issues has taken him to numerous hotspots around the globe. Each time he returned home he brought new insights into the problems facing mankind and oppressed communities around the world. He will leave a legacy of better health and quality of life for thousands of less fortunate individuals.

TONY's life will be an inspiration for many others. Like the ripple of a pebble in a pool of water, his life will ripple on in the lives and good works of many others. This is a remarkable achievement over a distinguished career in the House.

TONY now brings these gifts to a new assignment at the United Nations. I can think of no other who will be as dedicated to improving the lives of others around the world as him.

He is an inspiration to each of us and we are the richer for having been his colleague.